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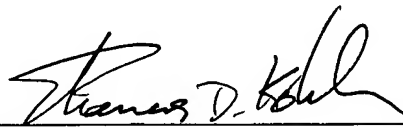
Claims 1-7 are pending in the application. In the office action dated January 14, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 6. Claims 2-5 and 7 were objected to as containing allowable subject matter but depending from rejected claims.

In this amendment claims 2 and 7 have been amended, placing the claims in order for allowance. Claims 1 and 6 have been canceled. Claim 2 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 1. Claim 7 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 6. Further, the applicant submits three(3) replacement sheets containing figures Figs 1-4. The corrected figures include the changes designating the referential numbers. Also, the Examiner objected to the Information Disclosure Statement(IDS) filed September 3, 2003 as not complying to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) requiring a legible copy of the reference. The applicant re-submits a legible copy of the reference. Lastly, the Examiner submits that the applicant submitted as reference, JP 2002-173007 and not JP 2000-370979 as indicated on FORM-PTO 1449, please note that the applicant inadvertently indicated the reference in its application form and not the published number JP 2002-173007, and thereby indicated on a newly submitted IDS.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that the application as a whole is in form for allowance. Should the Examiner have any continuing objections, the Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to contact the undersigned at 415-442-1106 in order to expedite allowance of the case. Authorization is granted to charge any outstanding fees due at this time for the continued prosecution of this matter to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (matter no. 060944-0131).

Respectfully submitted,

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